

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Court Room
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
November 20, 2011

Closed Session: Yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:00 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima

Council Present: Legislative Leader Melvin L. Kiogima, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor John Keshick, Councilor Kevin Gasco, Councilor Bill A. Denemy

Absent: Councilor Winnay Wemigwase

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Interim Recording Secretary Temp Jannan J. Cornstalk

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Dexter McNamara

Public: Beal Law, Bill Denemy Sr., Fred Kiogima, Sheran Patton, Nancy Kiogima

Invited Guests: Odawa Casino Resort: General Manager David Wolf, Human Resource Director Melissa Richards, Marketing Director Karyann Waukazoo, Human Resource Development and Recruiting Manager Katie Bauer

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Denemy to adopt the agenda for November 20, 2011 with additions.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

9:15 a.m. Councilor Wemigwase arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve the minutes of November 6, 2011 as presented.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

Motion carried.

Elder Comments: Bea Law spoke regarding the need of Draft Work Product impact statements; Opposition to the nomination and appointment of the Chief Judge; Having two full time Judges; and Raising the per capita.

1 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to
2 move the Executive Report at this time to 9:31 a.m.

3 Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

4 Motion carried.

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6 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to
7 acknowledge receipt of the Executive Report for November 20, 2011.

8 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

9 Motion carried.

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11 Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Bardwell to
12 accept Legislative Leader Kiogima's verbal and written report for November 20,
13 2011.

14 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

15 Motion carried.

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17 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to
18 accept Secretary Gasco Bentley verbal report for November 20, 2011.

19 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Keshick)

20 Motion carried.

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22 Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Otto to accept
23 Treasurer Bott's verbal and report for November 20, 2011.

24 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

25 Motion carried.

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27 10:45 a.m. Recess called.

28 11:00 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

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30 Odawa Casino Resort: Career Enrichment Program Presentation.

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32 11:53 a.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

33 11:53 a.m. Public Comment closed.

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35 Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to
36 accept the verbal and written Gaming Authority Committee report.

37 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

38 Motion carried.

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40 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve
41 the Revenue Liability Fact Sheet as developed for Citizen review.

42 Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

43 Motion carried.

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45 12:05 p.m. Lunch recess.

46 1:33 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

1 Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Gasco to accept
2 the verbal report from the Legal and Legislative Committee as presented by
3 Secretary Gasco Bentley for November 20, 2011.

4 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

5 Motion carried.

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7 1:57 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor
8 Otto to go into closed session for legal matters.

9 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

10 Motion carried.

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12 3:28 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Bardwell
13 to return to open session.

14 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

15 Motion carried.

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17 3:28 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

18 3:29 p.m. Public Comment closed.

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20 Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Keshick to
21 accept Councilor Bardwell and Treasurer Bott verbal Tribal Council member
22 reports for November 20, 2011.

23 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 – Absent

24 Motion carried.

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26 4:00 p.m. Legislative Leader Kiogima departs.

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28 Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to
29 accept the Legislative Services Attorney report for November 20, 2011.

30 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima)

31 Motion carried.

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33 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Denemy to
34 acknowledge the receipt of and resignation of Alan Proctor from the Economic
35 Development Commission.

36 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima)

37 Motion carried.

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39 Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Bardwell to
40 acknowledge the receipt of and resignation of John Keshick from the Gaming
41 Authority Committee.

42 Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 1 – Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 1 – Absent (Legislative
43 Leader Kiogima)

44 Motion carried.

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46 Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to
47 appoint Councilor Bardwell to the Gaming Authority.

1 Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 1 – Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 1 – Absent (Legislative
2 Leader Kiogima)
3 Motion carried.

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5 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Denemy to
6 approve the Chief Judge Contract with express waiver of sovereign immunity for
7 the limited purpose of enforcement of the provisions of the Contract.

8 Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Keshick), 1 – Abstained (Councilor
9 Wemigwase), 1 – Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima)
10 Motion carried.

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12 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Otto to pass the
13 Amended Tribal Council Meeting Procedure Policy.

14 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima)
15 Motion carried.

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17 Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to
18 acknowledge the receipt of the nomination of Jim Genia for Associate Judge.

19 Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Gasco), 1 – Absent (Legislative
20 Leader Kiogima)
21 Motion carried.

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23 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to
24 acknowledge receipt of the nomination of Catherine Castagne for Prosecutor.

25 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima)
26 Motion carried.

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28 Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to table the
29 appointment of the NAGPRA/MACPRA (Native American Graves Protection
30 Repatriation Act/Michigan Anishinaabek Cultural Preservation & Repatriation
31 Alliance) nomination.

32 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima)
33 Motion carried.

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35 4:57 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Secretary
36 Gasco Bentley to adjourn.

37 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima)
38 Motion carried.

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42 These Minutes have been read and approved as written (or) corrected: (delete
43 either the word “written” or “corrected” as pertains to how the minutes were
44 approved.)

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48 Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date